I. In the claims:

Please amend the application as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) A computer implemented method for billing comprising:

~~(a)~~ assigning a weight score to a webserver function, wherein said score is a property of said function and said weight score is assigned to said function prior to use of said function by a user;

~~(b)~~ identifying ~~a~~ said user;

~~(c)~~ determining if said function has been accessed by the user;

~~(d)~~ identifying a number of ~~uses of~~ times the function is accessed in response to said determination; and

~~(e)~~ calculating an amount of usage for each function by ~~combining~~ multiplying the number of ~~uses~~ times ~~of~~ the function is accessed by the user with the weight assigned to the function; ~~and~~

summing said calculated amount for each accessed function;

multiplying said summation by a usage point; and

~~(f)~~ billing said user for said multiplied summation ~~calculated amount of usage~~.

2. (Cancel) The method of claim 1, wherein the step of calculating an amount of usage includes multiplying the number of uses of the function accessed by the user by the weight assigned to that function.

3. (Cancel) The method of claim 2, further comprising determining a total amount of usage for the user by conducting a summation of a quantity of said amount of usage.

4. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, further comprising ~~wherein the file is~~ a webserver function log file to store said number of times said function is accessed.

5. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, ~~wherein the~~ further comprising ~~file is~~ a user log file to store user access information of said function.

6. (Currently Amended) A computer implemented system for billing a user in a service provider environment comprising:

(a) a function weight assigned to a web-server implemented function prior to execution of said function, wherein said weight is a property of said function;

(b) a user identification;

(c) said function adapted to be accessed by the user from a file;

(d) a manager adapted to track a number of uses of the function accessed by the user; and

(e) a usage amount calculated by combining the number of uses tracked by said manager with the weight assigned to the function.

7. (Previously Amended) The system of claim 6, wherein the usage amount is determined by multiplying the number of uses of the function by the weight assigned to that function.

8. (Previously Amended) The system of claim 6, further comprising a total amount of usage for the user by summing a quantity of said usage amount.

9. (Original) The system of claim 6, wherein the file is a webserver function log file.

10. (Original) The system of claim 6, wherein the file is a user log file.

11. (Currently Amended) An article for billing a user in a service provider environment comprising a computer-readable signal bearing medium storing instructions comprising:

instructions for preassigning ~~assigning~~ a weight to a web-server implemented function;

instructions for determining at least one function that is accessed by the user from

a file;

instructions for identifying the function accessed by the user responsive to said determination instruction; and

instructions for calculating a usage amount by combining the number of uses of said function by the weight assigned to said function.

12. (Previously Amended) The article of claim 11, wherein the instructions for calculating usage amount includes multiplying the number of uses of the function by the weight assigned to the function.

13. (Previously Amended) The article of claim 11, further comprising instructions for determining a total amount of usage for the user by summing usage amounts.

14. (Previously Amended) The article of claim 11, wherein the file is a webserver function file.

15. (Currently Amended) The article of claim 11, wherein the file is a user log file.

16. (Original) The article of claim 11, wherein the medium is a recordable data storage medium.

17. (Original) The article of claim 11, wherein the medium is a modulated carrier signal.